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By Rebecca Palmore

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For time travelers

Columbia College Chicago Library, 624 S. Michigan Ave.

Hear local author Audrey Niffenegger ("The Time Traveler's Wife") sound off on life as a writer and visual artist. 6 p.m.; seating starts at 5:45 p.m. 312-369-7355.

For foodies

RA Sushi, 1139 N. State St. 312-274-0011

See what else local weather-women can predict at Meteo-RA-logy Madness, a sushi contest featuring rolls designed by Duffy Atkins (WGN-Ch. 9), Ginger Zee (WMAQ-Ch. 5) and others. Vote for your favorite after trying all four. 7 p.m.

For singles

Holiday Club, 4000 N. Sheridan Rd. Green with envy over your coupled-up friends? Head to Dating for Nerds' Earth Date, a two-night bash for gay men (Wednesday) and hetero singles (Thursday) with games, organic chocolates, fashion shows, ecotinis and more. 7 p.m. \$20-\$25. Registration: nerdsatheart.com



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Another installment of RedEye's "Who You Vibin?" online dating contest has come to a close. This week's featured bachelor is ... Rob Pellegrini! If you're interested in getting in touch with him, hit up the e-mail listed below. Whether he responds is up to him, of course. For more dating fun, visit redeyechicago.com/vibin.



NAME
Rob Pellegrini

AGE

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HOOD

Northwest suburbs

E-MAIL

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I'm originally from:
Arlington Heights

What do you do?
Commercial banker

Seeking? An independent, confident, well-rounded woman interested in exploring all that life and the city have to offer.

The best under-the-radar Chicago spot:
Not sure it's under the radar anymore, but I'll go with Hot

Chocolate. I typically keep a balanced, Mediterranean-style diet, but their desserts are kryptonite to my willpower. The first time I went there, I had to have two!

TV show I never miss:
TiVo is my friend, so I never miss any of my shows: "House," "Fringe," "Lost," "Modern Family," "Top Gear," to name

a few.

You know you want me because:

I'm versatile! I get along with everyone. My personality is at the intersection of Modern-day Renaissance Man Boulevard and Jeans and T-shirt Avenue. I know my way around a wine list, hold my own at a beer pong table and do well with everything in between.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

A bit breezy, but mostly unoffensive



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Some of the biggest talkers of the day, numerically speaking



50 percent

The average American consumes about 50 percent more salt than recommended with the vast majority of sodium coming from packaged food and restaurant meals, according to a report Tuesday by the Institute of Medicine.



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That's how much the latest Powerball jackpot is worth.

Actually, that's the value of the jackpot if the winner chooses the annuity option, where the jackpot is paid out over 29 years.

If the winner chooses the lump-sum option, the value works out to a mere \$122 million before taxes.

The next drawing will be held Wednesday evening. The estimated \$252 million jackpot is only the fourth time in the past three years the jackpot has exceeded the quarter-billion mark. No one has hit the Powerball jackpot since March 13. Powerball is played in Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana and 39 other states, as well as in Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

\$3.3 billion

Goldman Sachs said Tuesday its first-quarter earnings almost doubled to \$3.3 billion as its trading business again surpassed the rest of the financial industry. A top lawyer for the bank, which is facing civil fraud charges, said Goldman would "never intentionally mislead anyone."

The bank's earnings were overshadowed by the Securities and Exchange Commission's civil fraud lawsuit filed Friday. The SEC alleges that Goldman Sachs and one of its vice presidents misled investors who bought complex financial products that were expected to fail.



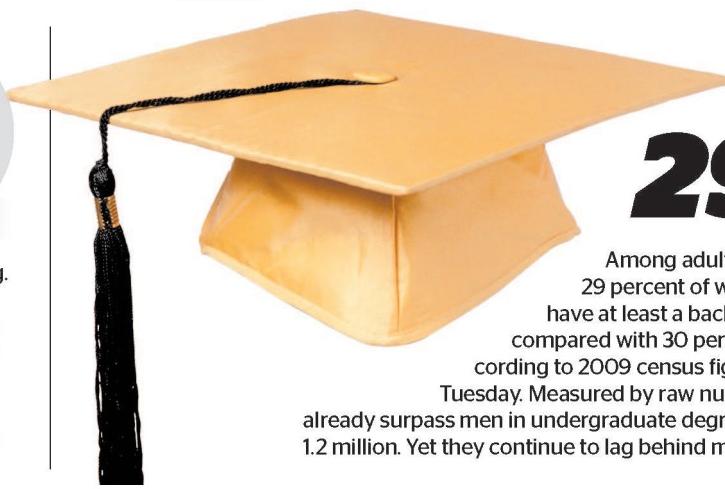
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The Supreme Court struck down a federal law Tuesday aimed at banning videos that show graphic violence against animals, saying it violates the right to free speech. The justices, voting 8-1, threw out the criminal conviction of Robert Stevens of Pittsville, Va., who was sentenced to three years in prison for videos he made about pit bull fights. The law was enacted in 1999 to limit Internet sales of so-called crush videos, which appeal to a certain sexual fetish by showing women crushing to death small animals with their bare feet or high-heeled shoes.



65,000

Coca-Cola overseas investment paid off in the first quarter as the world's largest soft drink maker reported its profit climbed 19 percent thanks to emerging markets such as India and Brazil, according to a report Tuesday. In the first quarter, the company added 65,000 of its coolers in Indian retail locations and nearly 3,000 employees to sell its products.



29%

Among adults 25 and older, 29 percent of women in the U.S. have at least a bachelor's degree, compared with 30 percent of men, according to 2009 census figures released Tuesday. Measured by raw numbers, women already surpass men in undergraduate degrees by roughly 1.2 million. Yet they continue to lag behind men in pay.

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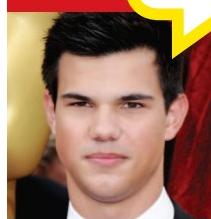
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**TAYLOR-
MADE?**

Do you think Thomas Pardee (top) looks like Taylor Lautner? Text "taylor1" for "totally" or "taylor2" for "no way" to **87708**. You'll get the poll results instantly.

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Confessions of a teenage werewolf

I haven't seen "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" and I have no plans to do so, but since it was released in November to the kind of frenzied fanfare that makes me hope for the hastened arrival of the apocalypse, my life has gotten a bit, well, complicated.

You can't really tell by my mug shot, but I kind of look like Twilight's resident werewolf/18-year-old teen heartthrob, Taylor Lautner. And by "kind of," I mean not a day goes by during which I'm not confronted by strangers who feel compelled to excitedly inform me of this likeness. "You probably hear this all the time ..." they begin. I do indeed. It's 11 a.m. as I write this, and I've already heard it twice.

First off, my resemblance to this oft-shirtless movie star isn't some fantasy born of my egomaniacal self-importance. In fact, I'm not even sure I exactly agree it's true. But hosts of others seem to think so and now my Tay-Tay problem is beginning to affect my identity.

When I saw the awful film "Valentine's Day," I learned that not only do I allegedly look like Tay-Tay, but I actually feel I am him, too. Upon his awkward arrival on-screen, many girls in the theater swooned and cheered, and I slumped in my seat, heart beating slightly faster.

I had never actually seen him in a movie before, and I felt as though I was watching my own acting debut. I wasn't sure if I was embarrassed for him or me. Hence the identity crisis.

I used to walk into bars and resent my anonymity. Now—and I don't exaggerate here—my entrance to most dimly lit rooms full of drunken 20-somethings is met with double takes, audible whispers and shameless pointed fingers. I hear them talking as I walk by. I smile politely when they shout "Jacob!" at me. When they ask me to pose for photos, I usually oblige, submitting to full-on objectification. It's fun at first, but then it's inescapable.

People insist it's a compliment, which was once a comfort. But I quickly realized that I'd much rather be a prettier version of a fug-celebrity than a less buff, worst-dressed version of a hot one. The truth is, when you don't come out on the winning end of a comparison, you wish there never was a comparison at all.

But the main problem with having a famous face is the crippling truth that I am, after all, not famous. Even when a group of tween girls starts following me excitedly, or a woman on an airplane asks me for an autograph (two instances of that actually have happened), I only remember the looks of disappointment on their faces when they realize their mistake. For every flattering little pro, there is a bludgeoning con.

But before you pity me, Chicago, know this: One day, former teen star Taylor Lautner will grapple with his resemblance to the prolific Thomas Pardee, and my identity will be restored.

Delusion never tasted so good.

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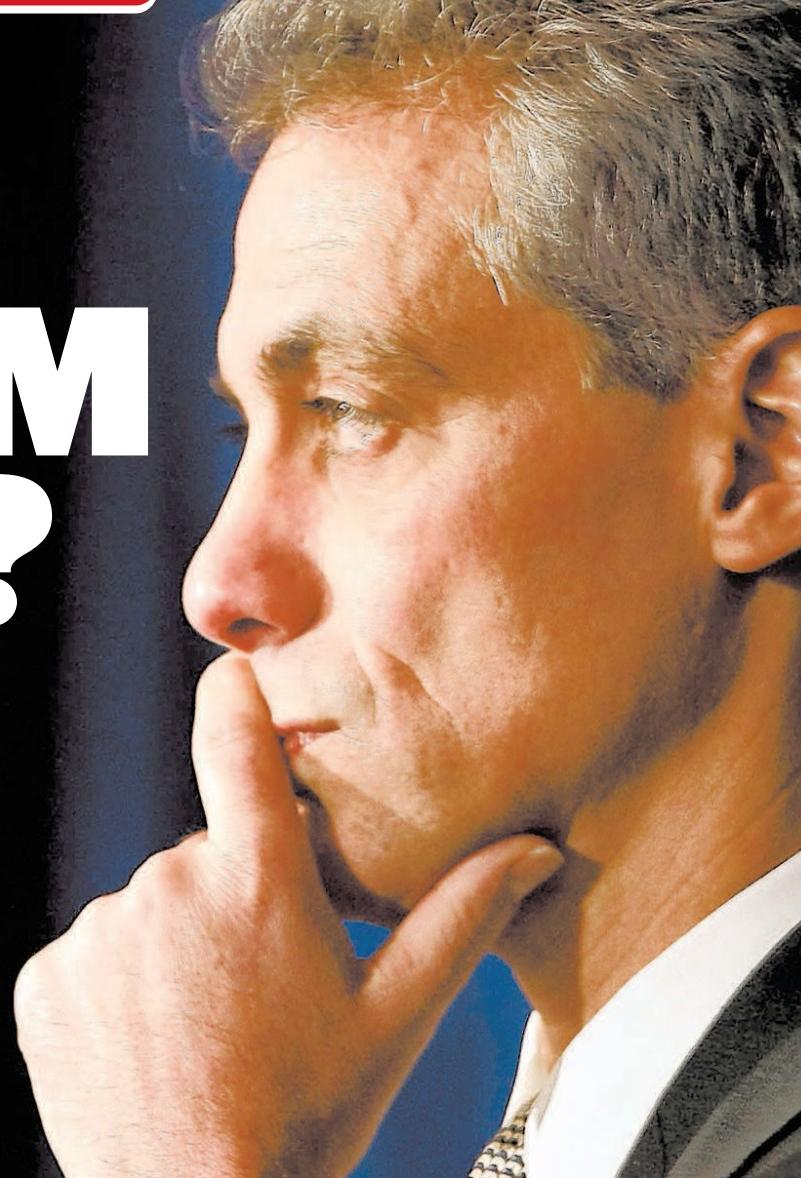
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POLS WEIGHING IN ON EMANUEL'S INTEREST IN SEEKING MAYOR'S OFFICE

Emanuel
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Chicago Tribune

Judging by the attention he gets inside the Washington Beltway every time he talks about it, White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel must be the odds-on favorite to replace Mayor Daley.

But back in Chicago, where Emanuel made his political bones, the former congressman and political insider's sharp elbows and national cache aren't much of a guarantee he will replace the man who remains firmly in control of Chicago.

Just ask the Daleys.

"Absolutely not, and I don't think anyone would say that," said Cook County Commissioner John Daley when asked Tuesday if Emanuel would be the front-runner in a mayor's race that didn't involve his brother. "And I don't think [Emanuel] would say that, knowing the electorate of Chicago."

A return home to run for mayor means Emanuel, who renewed his interest in the job on national TV Monday, would have to address some longstanding political baggage. Questions abound about his quick stockpiling of wealth on Wall Street, help from a Daley patronage army to win a seat in Congress and chats with disgraced ex-Gov. Rod Blagojevich about filling a vacant U.S. Senate seat.

Not that the top job at City Hall is even open. Indeed, longtime

Daley loyalists and advisers said privately they would be shocked if the mayor didn't run again in February. Friends of both men also said Emanuel's desire to someday run for mayor in a clear field is nothing new to Daley.

Given that, Emanuel's decision to pipe up about his interest in Daley's chair on the Charlie Rose show—"one day I would like to run for mayor of the city of Chicago"—could partly be a way to spread his elbows and stake out a spot in a post-Daley pecking order.

Just as Emanuel hasn't talked in depth about some of his political past, he did not respond to requests for comment Tuesday. And as the Washington press corps awaits a major departure from President Obama's inner circle, the White House on Tuesday ratcheted back speculation that the chief of staff was on the verge of departing for a 2011 mayoral campaign.

"[Emanuel] was talking about a scenario where if Mayor Daley doesn't run for re-election," deputy White House press secretary Bill Burton told reporters aboard Air Force One, "But we all know that Mayor Daley is running for re-election. It's something that many kids in Chicago dream of, growing up to be a mayor, so it's one of the great jobs in American politics."

Blagojevich: Federal prosecutors are 'liars,' 'cowards'

Chicago Tribune

Rod Blagojevich is calling federal prosecutors involved in his corruption case "cowards and liars" who are unfairly attacking his wife.

The ousted governor made a brief appearance Tuesday outside his lawyers' office to complain that prosecutors don't want all the wiretapped conversations that led to his arrest played in court.

He issued a personal challenge to U.S. Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald to come to court Wednesday to address why the government refuses Blagojevich's request to allow all undercover tapes to be played in court.

He also issued a strong defense of wife, Patricia, calling her "a devoted mother" and a professional.

"All of the money she earned she worked for," he said in reaction to a government filing last week that alleged some real-estate commissions were improperly steered to her.

Speaking in a forceful tone, Blagojevich also said the government is covering up "the big lie" by Fitzgerald when he announced in December 2008 that Blagojevich had been arrested to halt his alleged "crime spree."

Blagojevich said Fitzgerald should come to court Wednesday when his criminal case is up for a status. Blagojevich promised he would be there. "I hope you're man enough to be there, too," he said to Fitzgerald.

Blagojevich said the government doesn't want the undercover tapes played in their entirety because they would show that Fitzgerald is lying.

"The government is covering up the big lie that Mr. Fitzgerald gave to the world that he had me arrested December the ninth and he told the world that he heard tapes and he heard telephone conversations and had to arrest a sitting governor because he was 'stopping a crime spree before it happened.' That is a lie," Blagojevich said.

"And the reason they won't play all those tapes is because they're covering up that big lie that foreseeably led to a chain of events that stole a governor from the people of Illinois and undid the will of the people."

Worker: Crews were testing equipment at scene of fatal crash

Believing they had fixed malfunctioning railroad gates and warning lights, Canadian National Railway workers let an Amtrak train pass through the intersection at full speed as a test, only to watch it barrel into a car on the tracks and kill the driver behind the wheel, according to sources involved in the accident probe.

Investigators interviewed a CN worker who saw the line of vehicles converging on the University Park crossing as the Chicago-bound train approached at 78 mph, then ran toward the SUV driven onto the tracks by Katie Lunn, a Chicago dance instructor.

Desperately hoping to save her, the worker got to within about 30 feet of Lunn's car when it was broadsided by the passenger train Friday night.

"The CN crew came back specifically to test the crossing system with that northbound Amtrak train at about 9:30," said a rail safety investigator who spoke with the CN technician who tried to save Lunn, 26, who lived in Lincoln Park.

The accident occurred at 9:35 p.m., according to police reports.

The technician "was traumatized as much as someone can be traumatized that he didn't get there in time, and that [Lunn] was so innocent," said the investigator, who requested anonymity.

The account, confirmed by federal and state



New interviews reveal that Canadian National workers were testing crossing signals Friday when a train crashed into an SUV, killing Katie Lunn, 26. **WARREN SKALSKI PHOTO FOR TRIBUNE**

sources involved in the investigation, is the fullest yet of what unfolded at the crossing, where crews had been working to fix a glitch in the warning system.

On Tuesday, the Tribune reported that findings from the ongoing investigation indicate that the grade-crossing protection system at Stuenkel Road in the southern suburb was in-

advertently turned off by track maintenance crews installing a nearby interlocking, which controls track switches and train movements at crossings and junctions.

With no safety backstops in place, an unintentional trap was set for some unfortunate driver, who happened to be Lunn, investigators found.

Charges for woman whose son died in fire

Almost two weeks after a 4-year-old boy died in a Joliet fire while trying to save his paralyzed mom, his mother was charged with child endangerment after allegedly leaving her son alone in their two-bedroom apartment.

Tiana "Tina" Wallace's only son, Omariya Dishman, died in the April 7 fire that started in their apartment at the Evergreen Terrace housing complex about 11:30 p.m. Neighbors said they heard the boy say "Tina's still in here," when they pounded on his door and begged him to unlock it.

When a resident kicked down the apartment door, heavy smoke prevented them from entering. Another neighbor said she heard Omariya call out, "Mommy, Mommy."

An autopsy said he died of smoke inhalation.

Wallace's friends reacted to the charges with disbelief.

"She shouldn't be [charged]; her child was always with her," said Dejarea Howard, who said she did not know where Wallace was that night. "I feel like that is uncalled for."

Wallace was shot in the back as a teen and is paralyzed from the waist down. Fire officials haven't said how the blaze started.

Mark your calendars: Chick-fil-A is coming

Chick-fil-A fans are a step closer to getting their chicken sandwich fix: The company has started construction on its first three Chicago-area restaurants, in Aurora, Orland Park and Wheaton.

The Aurora location is slated to open Aug. 19, while the Orland Park restaurant is to open in September. The Wheaton spot is expected to open in October.

There are seven Chick-fil-A restaurants in the state, the closest Illinois locations being 2½ hours away from downtown Chicago in Bloomington and Urbana. The nearest restaurant, according to the online locator, is in Racine, Wis., about 90 minutes away.

Atlanta-based Chick-fil-A said it plans to open at least six restaurants in the Chicago area. In all, the chain will open 78 restaurants this year. There are 1,428 locations in 38 states; sales last year reached \$3.2 billion.

"Our fans in Chicago ... have been loud and clear about their Chicago demands. They have started Web sites, Facebook and Twitter fan pages and posted YouTube videos as part of their campaigns pleading for us to open in Chicago," said Dan Cathy, president and chief operating officer of the chain.

Weis unveils high-tech plan to fight violence

Chicago police will use quickly culled gang intelligence, computer analysis and mobile strike teams to combat summer violence, Superintendent Jody Weis said Tuesday.

The plan, expected to kick off next week, will rely on advanced computer analysis to pinpoint specific city blocks where violence is brewing. That information then would quickly be relayed to strategic response units—both at the detective area level and the citywide level—who would saturate the hot spots to quiet violence before it flares up, Weis said at police headquarters at 3510 S. Michigan Ave.

Police investigate possible meth lab in Logan Square

Chicago police were investigating the presence of a suspected methamphetamine lab Tuesday in Logan Square.

Officers responded to an apartment building in the 1800 block of North Francisco Avenue about 1 p.m. and remained on the scene as of 3 p.m.

The landlord of the building was cleaning up one of the units, which had been occupied by at least one tenant who was evicted, and came across a suspicious substance or substances, Cmdr. Linda Flores said.

Police had not concluded as of Tuesday evening whether a methamphetamine lab was or had been active in the unit.

Woman sentenced for killing father, hiding body

A suburban Chicago woman convicted of murdering her father and hiding the body has been sentenced to 50 years in prison.

In handing down the sentence of Christy Lentz, DuPage County Circuit Judge John Kinsella could only guess at her motive for killing 58-year-old Michael Lentz of Winfield.

Kinsella said Tuesday the May 2006 murder came in "a moment of anger, perhaps hatred."

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1 Tourists turned away

Thailand's bloody political crisis has been scaring away tourists for weeks but took a new turn Tuesday when some of Bangkok's finest hotels, including the Grand Hyatt and InterContinental, sent guests packing for fear of violence at their doorsteps.

2 Anti-gay sign will stay

Officials in Casper, Wyo., said Tuesday that an anti-gay sign painted on a homeowner's fence near a high school will be allowed to remain because there's nothing the city can or should do about it. Chris Trumbull painted the words "Leviticus 20:13, To be gay equals death" on his fence. Trumbull says the message is the Bible's, not his.

3 9/11 flag flap

Two Canadians suspected of replacing a U.S. flag honoring 9/11 victims with Canada's flag to celebrate an Olympic hockey victory could face charges in Riverside County, Calif.

4 Shooter was mentally ill

A mentally ill gunman who killed himself and a hospital worker and wounded two others Monday in Knoxville, Tenn., was upset with a doctor he thought had implanted a monitoring device during an appendectomy in 2001, police said Tuesday.

5 iPad theft mangles finger

A man is missing his new iPad and part of his pinky finger after a robbery Thursday at a Denver shopping mall. Bill Jordan says the cord of the bag was wrapped around his finger and the thief yanked it so hard that it stripped part of Jordan's pinky down to the bone.

THE DIGIT**3 years**

Gov. Mitch Daniels is urging Indiana's colleges and universities to begin offering three-year bachelor's degrees that he said would give students a way to "fast-forward" their college careers.



A greater threat in Iceland

6 REYKJAVIK, Iceland For all the worldwide chaos Iceland's volcano has created, it may just be the opening act.

Scientists fear tremors at the Eyjafjallajokull volcano could trigger an even more dangerous eruption at the nearby Katla volcano—creating a worst-case scenario for the airline industry and travelers around the globe.

A Katla eruption would be 10 times stronger and shoot higher and larger plumes of ash into the air than its smaller neighbor, which already has brought European air travel to a standstill for five

FLIGHTS RESUME

Airspace throughout northern and central Europe gradually was reopening Tuesday, with about half of all regular flights operating according to the Eurocontrol air traffic agency.

days and promises travel delays for days more.

The two volcanos are side by side in southern Iceland, about 12 miles apart and thought to be connected by a network of magma channels.

Katla, however, is buried under ice

550 yards thick—the massive Myrdalsjokull glacier, one of Iceland's largest. That means it has more than twice the amount of ice that the current eruption has burned through—threatening a new and possibly longer aviation standstill across Europe.

Katla showed no signs of activity Tuesday, according to scientists who monitor it with seismic sensors, but they were still wary. "Katla can start tomorrow or in 100 years, you don't know," said Svenn Palsson mayor of the coastal village of Vik. "All we can do is be ready."

Back on Earth

7 Space shuttle Discovery and its astronauts land Tuesday at Kennedy Space center in Cape Canaveral, Fla., after making a rare flyover of America's heartland to wrap up a 15-day journey to the International Space Station. AP PHOTO



Study: Computer games don't make you smart

8 LONDON People playing computer games to train their brains might as well be playing "Super Mario," new research suggests.

In a six-week study, experts found people who played online games designed to improve their cognitive skills didn't get any smarter. The study was paid for by the BBC and published online Tuesday by the journal Nature.

Computer games available online and marketed by companies such as Nintendo that supposedly enhance memory, reasoning and other cognitive skills are played by millions of people worldwide, though few studies have examined if the games work.

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WESTERN CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS

Did NHL dis Toews?

Chicago Tribune

NASHVILLE, Tenn. The list of finalists for the Selke Trophy, awarded to the NHL's top defensive forward, does not include Blackhawks captain Jonathan Toews. Which **Toews** prompted Patrick Sharp to offer a case for the man he believes should be considered.

"I think Sharp should have gotten it," the veteran winger joked about himself after the Hawks' morning skate Tuesday. "Plus-24, played all three forward positions, 66 points a career high. Now to answer your question ..."

There will be plenty of consternation over excluded names as the NHL unveils the finalists for each of its individual awards. Toews' Selke denial will enter that churn, voices wondering why he didn't take the place of the Red Wings' Pavel Datsyuk, the Canucks' Ryan Kesler or the Penguins' Jordan Staal.

And there is a case to be made. It just may not be Toews' time.

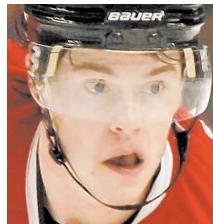
"Johnny's new as far as being considered around the league," Hawks coach Joel Quenneville said. "Watching him play in the Olympics and having an appreciation for him day in and day out, he can play on both sides of the puck, he can kill penalties, his strength in the faceoff circle is something we appreciate as well."

"We really think he has progressed into a well-rounded player. Johnny will mature and will continue to keep progressing to where he'll be considered."

Though Toews didn't address the issue Tuesday morning, the momentum will build for his consideration.

The top forward honors at the Olympics raised Toews' profile, but the particulars for Selke consideration were there, too. His plus-23 rating was 12th among NHL forwards—and better than each of the three finalists' marks.

He won 57.2 percent of his faceoffs, good for seventh in the league. He was eighth in the league with 69 takeaways. And he was a crucial cog in the Hawks' penalty kill that ranked fourth in the league at 85.3 percent.



Blackhawks goalie Antti Niemi hangs his head after surrendering a goal to Nashville on Tuesday during Game 3 of a Western Conference quarterfinal series. AP PHOTO



NASHVILLE 4, BLACKHAWKS 1 *Predators lead series 2-1.*

SMASHED IN NASHVILLE

BLACKHAWKS OUTPLAYED FROM START TO FINISH IN UGLY LOSS

Chicago Tribune

NASHVILLE, Tenn. Game 3 of this Western Conference quarterfinal was a battle to seize control. The Blackhawks, however, treated the occasion with nonchalance and paid for it, getting outplayed in every phase by the upstart Predators.

The result was a 4-1 loss Tuesday and now a 2-1 series deficit entering Game 4 on Thursday night, the suddenly wobbly Hawks assured of another 48 hours of teeth-gnashing over the possible seismic upset at hand.

Second-period goals from David Legwand and Shea Weber put the Predators ahead for good at Bridgestone Arena, and then Martin Erat capped the scoring with a penalty shot late in the third period that officially jangled every last nerve of Hawks faithful everywhere.

The Hawks had just finished a fruitless power-play opportunity when ex-Hawk Steve Sullivan took an outlet pass up the ice and then fired a centering pass to a streaking Legwand, who one-timed it past Antti Niemi to make it a 2-1 game at the

Soup's cookin'

Brian Campbell missed Game 3 as he continues to recover from a broken collarbone and rib. The veteran defenseman appears to be close to rejoining the lineup as he again participated in full drills during Tuesday's morning skate.

"I think it's coming," Campbell said. "I'm doing things out on the ice I feel better about every day. I'm getting stronger." Campbell wouldn't speculate on an actual return date but isn't ruling anything out, including an appearance in Game 4 on Thursday night. **TRIBUNE**

14-minute mark of the second.

Then Weber, who has one of the game's biggest shots, took a feed from J.P. Dumont and blasted one from the point that ricocheted off Marian Hossa's stick and past Niemi to make it a 3-1 game midway halfway through the second.

The Hawks had salvaged a 1-1 tie out of an otherwise dismal first 20 minutes in which the Predators were the more energized and physical unit and piled up numerous high-

quality chances. The Predators outshot the Hawks 13-7 in the first period and set the tone early as defenseman Weber obliterated Patrick Kane along the boards two minutes in.

The Hawks were sloppy, too, taking three penalties in the first period alone. They were just barely treading water, with Niemi stoning the Predators' Legwand on a breakaway chance during one power play.

The Predators got on the board moments later at even strength, when Joel Ward flipped home a juicy rebound off a Sullivan blast for a 1-0 lead at the 13-minute mark. But the Hawks would convert on Nashville's lone infraction just minutes later, with Tomas Kopecky punching home the tying goal on the power play at the 17:35 mark.

That was all the scoring the Hawks could muster, however. And now they must regroup quickly for Thursday night's crucial Game 4.

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We're getting good growth a week and a day into the playoff beardooff between Blackhawks players Colin Fraser and Andrew Ladd and RedEye's Jimmy Greenfield and Alex Quigley.



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Fans on the defensive

"Blackhawks can't hold onto the puck today. Just awful hockey out there from the guys in white. ... Don't think they want to play D tonight."
@tedgruber

"Goc? Erat? Tootoo? It sounds like the Predators names came straight outta 'Bases Loaded'."
@wowthatisrude

"These refs must be dying for tv time w/all of the penalties being called..."
@CheeseandDope

"I've been to Nashville & it's lame. And yes, I like country music. But not to that level. It consumes ppl's lives down there. Ridic."
@Prod85

"I don't suppose the Predators would ever bring Jeff Samardzija in to goaltend."
@Aisle424



"I feel terrible for Niemi tonight. He's been fine in net. Team in front of him looks like 2005 Hawks."
@stevesop

"Niemi is the only one who showed up. Can't even joke about it." **Neil F.**

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"Couldn't get Hawks/Predators game on TV at parents home in TX. Probably a blessing. Reading the tweets painful enough."
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five on five**Hair today ...**

This panel was missing something, then Adrian Garza filled the comedic void by signing up at redeyechicago.com/5on5.



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1 Which Chicago athlete would you like to see grow a playoff beard?	Jo Noah, so I won't be alone in trying to cover his mouth.	Epiphanny Prince. (She's on the Sky, I googled it).	It'd borderline amazing if Noah grew his facial hair to somehow resemble his head hair.	Da Coach.	Juan Pierre. Is he even old enough to grow facial hair?
2 What other playoff hair tricks should the Blackhawks players use?	The Goatee since the Billy Goat worked so well for the Cubs. Hello, Hairy Caray.	What would I know about great hair tricks? Oh, wait, everything. Pantene Pro-V.	I think they should braid their beards to look like Vikings.	Shave their numbers in the back of their heads.	Playoff chest rugs in the shape of Lord Stanley's Cup.
3 What kind of reception will the Cavaliers get at the United Center?	Poor. Don't you know the Bulls only get good coverage in Chicago?	Hopefully wedding. Who doesn't love weddings?	Booing with a hint of abject fear.	Fans will bow to the King.	A loud standing ovation and warm welcome, for the Cavs' cheerleaders of course.
4 What's LeBron James going to do for fun in Chicago while he's in town?	Play the Bulls.	Win. And maybe a little Cheesecake Factory action.	Counting all the potential money he could get from the Bulls in free agency.	Go broom shopping.	Look for apartments/homes; he'll be a Bull next year!
5 What's your over/under on how many days until Mount Ozzie really erupts?	I don't want to be under Mount Ozzie, especially when it starts spewing consonants.	69.	I give it about three days and then it'll be like Iceland up in here.	Cancel all flights to Florida till Friday morning. Ozzie ash cloud will be looming over Tampa.	Under one day; he's already spewing smoke.

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- » N.Y. Mets 4, Cubs 0
- » White Sox 4, Tampa Bay 1

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

- » Cubs at N.Y. Mets
- » White Sox vs. Tampa Bay



HERO OF THE DAY

John Danks

Allowed just one run and struck out nine in the Sox's win.

DUD OF THE DAY

Aramis Ramirez

Struck out twice, left two men on base and is hitting .145 this season.

WHEN IT RAINS ...

Sox manager Ozzie Guillen flew to Florida on Monday to watch his son Ozney play for Monsignor Pace High, only for the game to be postponed because of rain.

THE DIGIT

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The number of starts Cubs pitcher Ted Lilly will have after he returns from rehab and starts Saturday in Milwaukee.

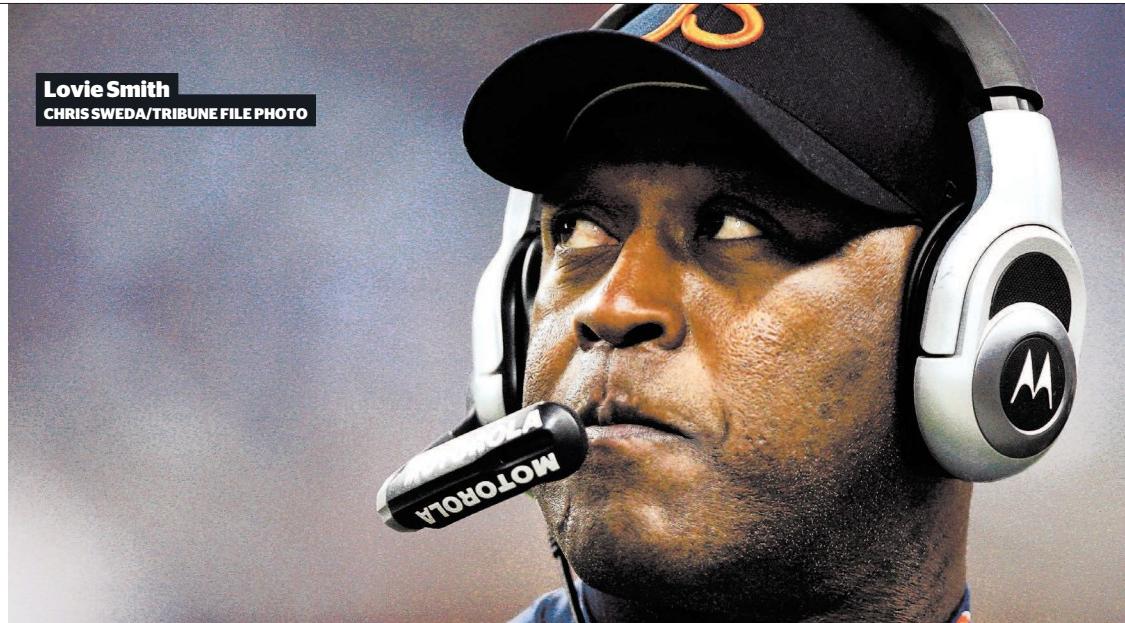
QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you have a passionate fan base, you have to be prepared for a heightened sense of urgency or worry when things don't go your way. Just as you are the beneficiary of extreme excitement when it does go your way. You got to take the good and bad with it. Right now, everyone is a little upset with the way we're playing. So are we."

KENNY WILLIAMS

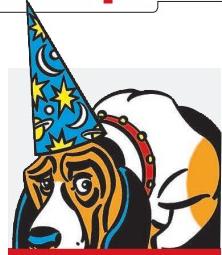
White Sox general manager

Lovie Smith
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1 Cubs 4, Mets 2. The other Carlos (Silva) keeps his sub-1.00 ERA in tact.

White Sox vs. Tampa

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2 WCIU
Sox 6, Rays 1. Mark Buehrle FTW!

Boston vs. Buffalo

6 p.m. Vs.
3 Bruins 3, Sabres 2 (OT). Bruins are the ruin of the Sabres.

Tough road for Bears

NFL didn't do team any favors with 2010 schedule

The Bears will begin a critical year for management and Lovie Smith by beginning play at Soldier Field for the first time since the coach's first season in 2004.

The Bears will host the Detroit Lions on Sept. 12 in the opening of what will be a challenging stretch for the organization. They travel to Dallas in Week 2 and then come home for an ESPN "Monday Night Football" appearance Sept. 27. Then the Bears are in prime time the next week on NBC's "Sunday Night Football" on Oct. 3 at the New York Giants.

The back-to-back prime-time games are the first of four scheduled night games. The Bears will appear on NFL Network at Miami on Nov. 18. They will be back on "Monday Night Football" in Week 15 with a Dec. 20 date at Minnesota.

The Bears will play out of the country for the first time in franchise history during the regular season when they play the Buffalo Bills at the Rogers Centre in Toronto on Nov. 7.

The Bears have a tough finish to the schedule also. They host New England on Dec. 12, play at Minnesota eight days later, host the New York Jets on Dec. 26 and finish Jan. 2 in Green Bay.

BEARS' 2010 SCHEDULE

Here is the Bears' schedule and Whizzer's knee-jerk predictions. Do dogs have knees?

Noon Sept. 12 vs. Detroit
Whizzer says: W

7:20 p.m. Oct. 3 at N.Y. Giants
Whizzer says: L

Noon Oct. 24 vs. Washington
Whizzer says: W

7:20 p.m. Nov. 18 at Miami
Whizzer says: L

Noon Dec. 12 vs. New England
Whizzer says: W

7:30 p.m. Dec. 20 at Minnesota
Whizzer says: L

Noon Sept. 19 at Dallas
Whizzer says: L

Noon Oct. 10 at Carolina
Whizzer says: W

Noon Nov. 7 at Buffalo (Toronto)
Whizzer says: W

Noon Nov. 28 vs. Philadelphia
Whizzer says: W

Noon Dec. 26 vs. N.Y. Jets
Whizzer says: W

7:30 p.m. Sept. 27 vs. Green Bay
Whizzer says: W

Noon Oct. 17 vs. Seattle
Whizzer says: W

Noon Nov. 14 vs. Minnesota
Whizzer says: L

Noon Dec. 5 at Detroit
Whizzer says: W

Noon Jan. 2 at Green Bay
Whizzer says: L



Whizzer's predicted record: 10-6, playoffs-bound.

» Two-time Olympic speedskating champion Shani Davis is not ready to commit to competing at the 2014 Sochi Games. "We'll see," the 27-year-old Chicago native said Tuesday in Washington.

» Former All-Star pitcher Edinson Volquez was suspended for 50 games Tuesday after a positive test for a banned fertility substance, a punishment that will cost him money but won't hurt the Cincinnati Reds' rotation.

"They did what they were supposed to do; they took care of home court. We won't get discouraged. We'll be ready Thursday." Bulls center Joakim Noah on the team's 2-0 playoff series deficit to Cleveland

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Whiskey business

Three experts tell you how to get sipping

By Lisa Arnett

If you're not going to WhiskyFest on Friday, join the club. The annual gathering of whiskey aficionados sold out weeks ago and is pricey to boot. But thanks to a handful of bars edging onto the scene with hefty lineups of American whiskey, your education is no farther than a barstool at a bar near you.

We looked to the bartending brains behind three whiskey-centric spots for recommendations: Michael Rubel, spirits director at Big Star; Mike Ryan, head bartender at Sable Kitchen & Bar; and Jim McCann, longtime Delilah's bartender and now bar director at Longman & Eagle. Find your level of whiskey experience below, follow their suggestions and you'll be on your way to becoming a whiskey fan come WhiskyFest 2011.

Big Star
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NOVICE

You tried Jack Daniel's in college. It did not end well.

Elmer T. Lee Single Barrel

This 90-proof bourbon has just enough sweetness and complexity for beginners. "It shows you why bourbon is the most flavorful kind of whiskey, but it's not going to overwhelm you," Rubel says. \$6 for two ounces at **Big Star** (1531 N. Damen Ave. 773-235-4039)

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This wheat whiskey has depth without getting too complex, Ryan says. "It's a great whiskey to start with when you don't know what you're doing," he says. \$11 for two ounces at **Sable** (505 N. State St. 312-755-9704)



Maker's Mark

McCann considers this an important reference point before moving on to other whiskeys. "You need to know the basics, what's most common," he says. \$3 for 1.25 ounces at **Longman & Eagle** (2657 N. Kedzie Ave. 773-276-7110); \$11 for two ounces at Sable.

INTERMEDIATE

You've done some dabbling and want to take the next step.

Four Roses Single Barrel

This 100-proof bourbon is a step stronger than the novice picks and has a "lovely complexity," Ryan says. \$11 for two ounces at Sable.

Old Heaven Hill Bottled in Bond

Hard to find outside of Kentucky, this bourbon "will not burn," Rubel says, even though it's 100 proof. "It has enough spice to keep the warm caramel tones in line." \$5 for two ounces at Big Star.

Cabin Still

"A connoisseur might turn its nose up at it because, to be honest, what's going on in the glass isn't all that special," McCann says. "But it's unique enough that it's something you should try." \$3 for 1.25 ounces at Longman & Eagle.



EXPERT

You bust out whiskey lingo like the big shots and consider yourself fairly well-versed.

Wild Turkey Rare Breed

A blend of 6-, 8- and 12-year-old whiskeys, it's uncut with water, meaning it's the same strength (108 proof) that comes out of the barrel. "There's more spice than you get from any other brand," Rubel says. \$8 for two ounces at Big Star; \$11 for two ounces at Sable.

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Michelle L'amour
30, burlesque dancer

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Is burlesque the same as stripping?
There are some similarities. But burlesque has a little more theatrics and

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Costumes are really important.

What's your craziest costume?

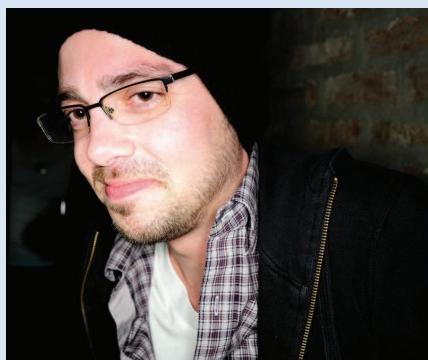
I guess it would be my panther suit. I'm a panther in a panther cage. It's very fun.

What's the wildest thing you've ever done as part of your act?

Rub baby oil all over myself and have other people do it as well.

We stopped by newly opened River North bar the **Shady Lady** (712 N. Clark St.) to listen to rock tunes, take in the circus-act mural and talk to the nightcrawlers lurking in the shadows.

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Stu Mitchell,
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Alex Tisma
28, DJ

Since this is the Shady Lady, what's the shadiest thing you've ever done?
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What's the worst thing a person can do to a DJ?
Request a song. Or get the DJ so drunk that they can't play anymore.

Tell me the shadiest thing

anyone has ever done to you.

I was dating this guy for almost 10 years. And I go to a Halloween party and find out that he's had another girlfriend for two months. She's 18, and he's 31. So she's there and she jumps me, attacks me, rips my favorite pair of pants. I still have a scar.

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1. Jaw-dropping, gravity-defying feats in "Hephaestus: A Greek Mythology Circus Tale" by Tony Hernandez. See it at the Goodman Theatre (170 N. Dearborn St.) through May 23. -REBECCA PALMORE

2. The **quirky label art** on just-released Half Acre/Three Floyds collaboration The Invasion, which features Asian carp dressed and armed to resemble Poseidon. Pick up a bottle of the full-bodied helles bock at Half Acre (4257 N. Lincoln Ave.) or hit Small Bar Logan Square (2956 N. Albany Ave.) at 6 p.m. Wednesday for your one and only chance to drink it in a bar. -M. KATHLEEN PRATT

3. The **helpful staff** at Lincoln Park wine shop the Poison Cup (1128 W. Armitage Ave.) which guided us to a delicious bottle of Shaky Bridge rose (\$17). -LISA ARNETT

4. The **gooey cinnamon rolls** (\$3.50) from Sensational Bites (3751 N. Southport Ave.). These fine specimens exhibit the perfect frosting-to-roll ratio, a very underrated measurement in breakfast pastry science. Get one with a coffee and you're halfway out of hangover town. -ERNEST WILKINS

5. The **porchetta di testa** (\$10) at the Bristol (2152 N. Damen Ave.). It's exactly what it sounds like: pig's head that's been seasoned and rolled like traditional porchetta. -MKP

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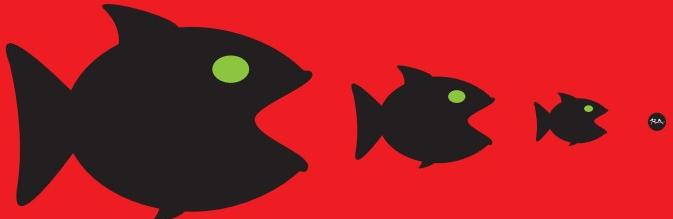
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music

Badass softies

Geronomo! lives the best of both worlds with flashlight fights and kitten adoption

By Matt Pais

There's no doubt that Bucktown-based rock trio Geronomo! has a sense of humor. On multiple occasions they've tried out the mischief seen on the FX series "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia," such as filling pop cans with wine and eating burritos hands-free from their pockets. The group also named one of its EPs "A Different Kind of Greatness," an ironic nod to an old slogan from their hometown of Rockford, which Money Magazine repeatedly voted as one of the country's worst cities.

What isn't a joke is Geronomo!'s full-length debut, "Fuzzy Dreams," a brawny and unpredictable rock carnivore that rolls a variety of indie and alternative touchstones into a compelling rumble, all while using a pitched-down keyboard in place of a bass.

GERONIMO! AT A GLANCE

Sound in five words or fewer:

"Loud. Fuzzy. Rhythmic. Heavy. Driving."

Influences: Radiohead, Nirvana, Sonic Youth, Fugazi

Another band name they considered:

Batman

Something random: They love both the pizza and the Mexican food at **Speedy's** (1759 W. 19th St.) in Pilsen

Vocalist/keyboardist Ben Grigg, 26, checked in to talk about his own fuzzy dreams and what the band's newly adopted kitten says about its image.

Your album's got some awesome titles: "Thunderbattles." "Battery Acid Mustache." "Design Yourself a Heart." How many of those have you tried out?

[Laughs] Anytime there's a thunderstorm, we like to go out and have fights. We'll go out and fight with our flashlights. We'll pretend they're swords. And sometimes the batteries will fall out and if we step on them, we make battery acid mustaches. Then we have to go to the hospital, and we usually ask the doctors to design us hearts. Even if they're just little pictures. So I can say that we do all of those things.

Should people try this at home?

Sure, I mean, why not? Be safe about it, but go for it! That's what life's all about: fun.

You recently adopted a kitten, Mowgli, while on tour. How does that fit into the band's muscular, badass image?

[Laughs] That's a good question. It doesn't, really. I think it makes us look like a bunch of softies. We try not to talk about it. That's probably not true.

Then are you guys the noisy badasses on the record or the softies who adopt kittens?

I think we're somewhere in between. We're striving to find a happy medium between Robyn and the Melvins.

CHI-TUNES

Geronomo!

When: 9 p.m. April 30
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Listen: "Design Yourself a Heart" at metromix.com



The name Geronomo! conjures images of people jumping off things. What's the tallest thing you've ever jumped off of?

When I was in grade school, there was this big brick wall, and I used to jump off of that. Maybe in proportion to how tall it was versus my height, it's the largest thing I've jumped off of. 'Cause it was probably 10 feet, and I was maybe 4 feet tall.

How often did you do that?

It was almost every day before school in grade school.

Why?

[Laughs] Because you could run up this big grass thing and jump off. I don't know why I did the things I did in grade school.

The "Fuzzy Dreams" cover shows someone running. Are they running toward or away from something, and what is that something?

I think it's more of just a continued state of running that they're going through. Maybe they're running from their past or they're running towards their future. I would say it's about the future.

What are some of your own fuzzy dreams for the future?

I would like to own a building someday. That'd be really cool. It doesn't matter what's inside. Our drummer Matt wants to get married. I don't know what Kelly wants to do.

Why do you want to own a building?

It just seems like a fun thing to do—if I

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Ben Grigg (far left) and Geronimo!

could rent it out to people and have stuff in a building. Maybe have a bar or a warehouse, a venue, apartments. Anything like that seems like it would fit with a lifestyle I would like to lead.

You're open-minded. You could have a sandwich shop or a drug warehouse.

Yeah, exactly. Maybe both. Hopefully both.

Where you can get drugs and sandwiches?

Yeah, but you'd have to say the right thing. Say you want the "Double Meatball Marinara." And then I know that that's the keyword to slip you the black tar heroin.

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New releases



Kings Go Forth

"The Outsiders Are Back"
(Luaka Bop)



It's sort of unthinkable that anyone wouldn't enjoy

"The Outsiders Are Back," the funky, joyful debut from a band that, I gotta be honest, sure doesn't sound like it's based in Milwaukee. The album recalls classic soul with more excitement than the recent Sharon Jones disc, as frontman Black Wolf sings about love, and the backing band, founded by bassist Andy Noble, kicks, punches and bops like it's somewhere sunny in the '60s or '70s and everyone's feeling superfly. "You're the One," "High on Your Love" and lots more will have you swaying and shimmying without even realizing it. Music like this can have power over you, and Kings Go Forth rule. —MATT PAIS



Trombone Shorty

"Backatown"
(Verve)



I bet Trombone Shorty's live shows are awesome. The trombonist's first nationally distributed album, however, is just OK, with heavy doses of horn-funked rock that become diluted by diversions into dull R&B.

Songs such as "Something Beautiful" just recall the worst tracks on Soulive records. Trombone Shorty, who's only 24 and whose real name is Troy Andrews, fares far better on the quick-closing romp, "928 Horn Jam," and "Neph," which begins like an Audioslave song and then sounds like a marching band charging forward at 100 miles per hour. "Backatown" cooks, but it doesn't always sizzle. —MP

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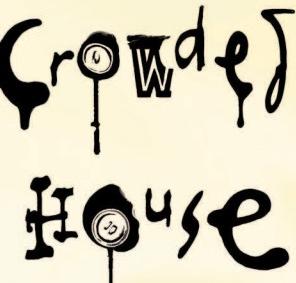
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Blue Rodeo, Cuff the Duke, Saturday, June 12 (\$18-\$20, 21+) at Martyr's.

Boyce Avenue, Friday, July 16 (\$15, all ages) at Beat Kitchen.

Crowded House, Sunday, Sept. 5 (\$46, 17+) at House of Blues.

Kina Grannis, Thursday, June 10 (\$10, all ages) at Beat Kitchen.

Holly Golightly and the Brokeoffs, Friday, June 18 (\$12, 17+) at Subterranean.

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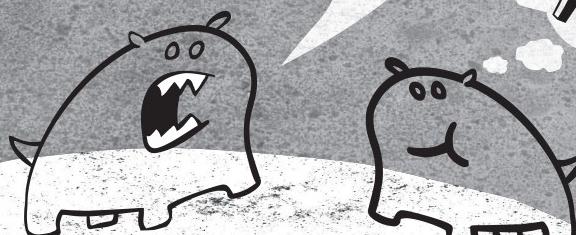
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**\$1.3 million buys local company
Theater Wit a brand-new home in Lakeview**

By Rebecca Palmore

It's been a long time coming, but Jeremy Wechsler's dream of finding his itinerant theater company a permanent home has come true. On Thursday, Theater Wit, which Wechsler (left) helped start in 2003, stages a comedy in its very own theater at 1229 W. Belmont Ave., formerly operated for a dozen years by Bailiwick Repertory Theater. Three resident companies also will produce plays here: Bohemian Theatre Ensemble, Shattered Globe and Stage Left.

First on stage is local playwright Penny Penniston's new comedy, "Spin," which follows the story of an ad exec who loses his job and wife before resorting to the proverbial Plan B. In the comedy, life spins out of control. On Belmont Avenue, things seem to be faring better, despite a recent permit setback. To celebrate the opening of the new show, Theater Wit artistic director Wechsler, also the director of "Spin," decided to do something rare: give away free tickets for the first two weeks. We checked in with the 40-year old to see how things were going.

"Spin" recently was delayed a week. Are you back on track?

Yes, we discovered there was another secret piece of paper from the city we had to get.

How do you like the space?

I love my new home. It's been napkin drawings for 95 percent of the time it's existed. We started planning in 2003 to build a space, and we started doing serious work on [the building] in November 2008. Everything in the building is brand new.

What does \$1.3 million buy?

In our case, it bought a yacht. [Laughs] No, there are three up-to-99-seat theaters, all new electrical, new lighting, sound equipment. We have a new lobby that we were able to outfit



ON-STAGE

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with excellent old ironwork and a 1920s bar. We now feature a ratio of women's stalls to men's stalls of 3-to-1, so I believe I'll be beloved by female theatergoers all over the city.

You will.

[Laughs] Almost all of the money went into the performance spaces. There'd been this weird side effect of the housing boom in the mid-'90s through 2005, where every 99-seat theater in the city got condo'd out of existence. When the 1229 property became available—we'd been renting space from the landlord for rehearsals—we said, "Absolutely. Sign us up."

Sounds like a nice transition.

It really was. I'm really excited to have it finally open again. It's been such a fixture on the Chicago scene for so long, it would be tragic if it had turned into an American Apparel.

What's the coolest thing about the theater?

It's the only [local] theater of this size, so I guarantee you

it's the nicest 99-seat in town. As part of the deal to be a resident, [theater companies must] put some time in at the building, working. I can remember going to see shows at the old Steppenwolf, and Gary Sinise selling me a ticket.

Does this mean Lance Baker ("Spin") might man the bar?

I'm sure he'd be delighted to sling drinks. The trick is getting him to give people the drinks. [Laughs]

Tell me why you chose to open with "Spin."

If there's anything that's been in development longer than this building, it's "Spin." We've been working on it for nine years. And it's exactly the sort of play I want Theater Wit to be known for: It's whip smart, it's emotional, it's got a real edge of social analysis and satire. It's our type of play.

Interview has been edited and condensed.

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CIF Awards Night

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Messing with a Friend

"SNL" alumnus Tim Meadows joins Susan Messing for an improv set. 10:30 p.m. Thursday. \$20. The Annoyance Theatre, 4830 N. Broadway.

The Improvised Shakespeare Company

Fest award winners for Ensemble of the Year perform. 8 p.m. Friday. \$14. iO, 3541 N. Clark St.

ImprovTOP

Making its American debut, the Mexico City troupe opens for Scram, a duo from Chicago and Minneapolis. 8:30 p.m. Saturday. \$15. The Second City Skybox, 1608 N. Wells St.

CIF's Roast of Mark Sutton

Local improv artists roast Sutton on his last night as CIF artistic director. Improv group Reset List opens. 8 p.m. Sunday. \$10. Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave.

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BOTTOMS UP!

|||||| JUST IN TIME FOR WARMER WEATHER, TIPS AND TRICKS TO FIRM THAT FANNY

By Erin M. Sarris FOR REDEYE

When Nicole Campbell agreed to pose in the buff for a photographer friend, she was in for quite the surprise when she got the prints back.

Campbell, 23, immediately recoiled at the photos, which depicted what she called her "grandma booty," fraught with unsightly bulges and cellulite. A freelance photographer herself, being on the other side of the camera was all the motivation she needed to kick her workout regimen into high gear, with a prominent focus on her derrière.

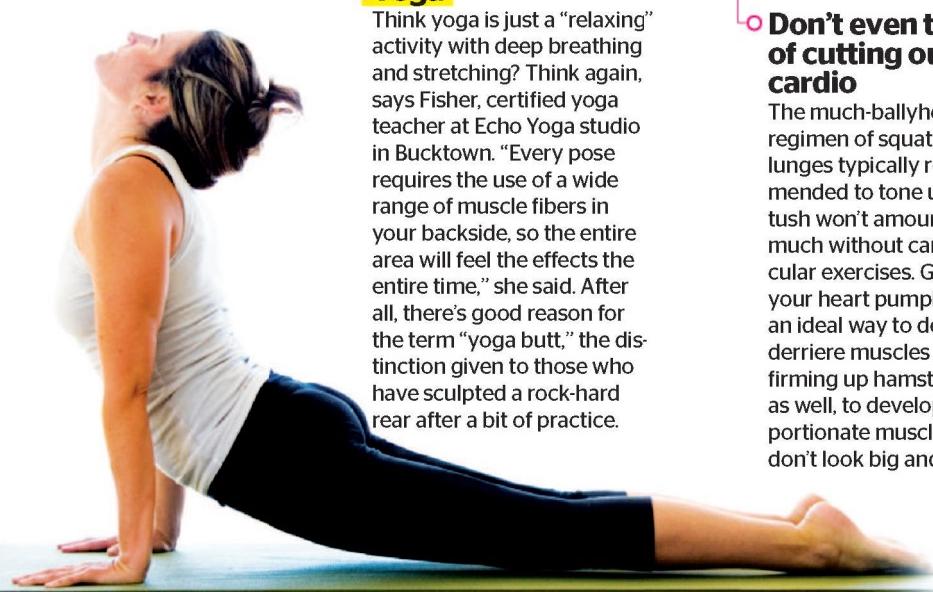
"I do squats, I run, and I do basically any weight machine that I can do to work that whole area," said Campbell, who lives in Lakeview. "It's only been a couple weeks, but now I notice it's actually lifted and looks more like an ass instead of a giant blob."

Campbell's rear-view workout plan comes just in time for swimsuit season and sunny weather, when many are looking to kick into high gear their beach-body regimens. Starting with the heinie isn't a bad idea, according to fitness pros who say toning the area in and around your booty is an ideal way

to jump-start weight loss and boost your metabolism. But male and female workout junkies walk a fine line between rocking a bulging booty and having a barely-there derrière.

"Most people want to keep it tight, with a round, bubble-like appearance, but not to the point where it's jiggling uncontrollably or too small," said Roy Walker III, athletic director at Malcolm X College.

That's a tall order, but don't fret. RedEye consulted local fitness experts—including Walker and yoga teacher Lisa Fisher—to better understand your booty.



Yoga

Think yoga is just a "relaxing" activity with deep breathing and stretching? Think again, says Fisher, certified yoga teacher at Echo Yoga studio in Bucktown. "Every pose requires the use of a wide range of muscle fibers in your backside, so the entire area will feel the effects the entire time," she said. After all, there's good reason for the term "yoga butt," the distinction given to those who have sculpted a rock-hard rear after a bit of practice.

Don't even think of cutting out cardio

The much-ballyhooed regimen of squats and lunges typically recommended to tone up your tush won't amount to much without cardiovascular exercises. Getting your heart pumping is an ideal way to define derriere muscles while firming up hamstrings as well, to develop proportionate muscles that don't look big and bulky.

Step away from the workout sneakers

Athletic shoes like Reebok EasyTones boast a bum-blasting workout with every wear due to a higher level of muscle engagement, but Walker says the science is bunk. You'd be better off going for a walk on uneven terrain, such as hills, stairs and other inclines, which offer the variety needed to keep your gluteal muscles working hard.



Power up on protein

The best food to get your butt looking bootylicious is protein, protein, protein—up your lean chicken, grilled fish and egg whites while minimizing white carbs such as rice and potatoes. Walker said eating five to six small, protein-rich meals per day will give your overall metabolism a boost and help you shed inches in your backside.

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WHOSE ASS IS IT ANYWAY?



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1. Jennifer Lopez
2. Beyoncé
3. Kim Kardashian



KEYWORD: ButtTwo

1. Derrek Lee
2. Derek Jeter
3. Alex Rodriguez



KEYWORD: ButtThree

1. Eva Longoria
2. Rihanna
3. Fergie



KEYWORD: ButtFour

1. David Beckham
2. Cristiano Ronaldo
3. Landon Donovan



KEYWORD: ButtFive

1. Mary-Louise Parker
2. Amy Winehouse
3. Cameron Diaz

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5 FACTS YOU CAN GET BEHIND

Roy Walker III, athletic director at Malcolm X College, and yoga instructor Lisa Fisher brought RedEye up to speed on the bottom.

ERIN SARRIS FOR REDEYE

1 Your butt contains the largest muscle in your body: The gluteus maximus has the potential to burn massive amounts of fat when lean and toned. Target the biggest of the three butt muscles through strength training with an intense cardio workout to turn your bum into a fat-burning machine.

2 Even the fittest folks have cellulite: We hate to be the bearers of bad booty news, but firming lotions, body wraps and herbal remedies won't do anything to melt away the unsightly dimples on your bum and thighs. Cellulite comes from your genetics, so save your cash for a gym membership and the lean proteins you'll pile in your grocery cart.

3 Sitting too much can cause injury: Excessive sitting puts pressure on your lower back and hamstrings because your butt is underutilized and the muscles within start to shrivel, leaving it to the nearby muscles to pick up the slack. Knee pain, lower back pain and strained hamstrings are just a few of the injuries you could experience from too much time spent sitting on your rump.

4 Butt workouts boost testosterone: Squats, lunges and dead lifts are all killer bum workouts, but they also aid in testosterone production for men. These excess male hormones not only will help with losing fat but also will assist in building strength and endurance in your butt and elsewhere in the body, Walker said.

5 Want to know if you have a textbook "nice ass?" It's all in the fold: Your gluteal fold is the area where your upper thigh meets your lower butt muscle, and nearly all rockin' rear ends have a smooth transition between these two muscle groups. Want to know if you have a well-defined behind? While standing, place a pencil between the fold and squeeze — if it stays put, your cheeks are bootylicious.



Shake it like a celebrity

If you want a butt like your favorite Hollywood starlet, you've got to shake your butt like one. "Since most of us are sedentary, we sit on our butts all day, which actually makes it flatter and fatter," Walker said. J.Lo and Beyoncé snagged their bootylicious behinds from a daily dose of moving and shaking on the dance floor. Crank up the radio and give it a try.

Squeeze it, flex it

Even the busiest of us have time to squeeze in a butt workout—literally. By clenching one cheek at a time, switching off from left to right, you can strengthen booty muscles anywhere, anytime. Once you're able to hold for five seconds, work your way up to 10 seconds, and then 20. And after you perfect "the squeeze," you can incorporate it into daily activities—such as walking, shopping, doing laundry, etc.—to engage the bum without changing your routine at all.

Bliss for your behind

Butt facials haven't been introduced in Chicago yet, but the next time you're in Hollywood or Brazil, consider giving your rear end the same royal treatment as the rest of your skin. The procedure first entails a rubdown with exfoliation cream and moisturizers, followed by a series of shocks with electric impulses to pamper your bodacious booty.

Know when to stop

Extra reps won't do you any good if your bum already is fatigued. When the muscles in your rear are overworked, adjacent muscles (such as your thighs and lower back) will often become activated to help carry the load, Fisher said. As soon as you feel other muscles engaging, make sure to take a break instead of putting in added reps that won't benefit your fanny.

A sprint in your step

Jogging certainly isn't bad for you, but high-speed sprinting engages the butt muscles to really tighten things up south of the waistline. If you find yourself tiring of the tired old lunges, try 30-second interval sprints to tone your backside while burning fat at the same time.



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Donate your old clothes for longer use

Tribune Newspapers

Call it the Forever 21 effect, or fast fashion. Americans are buying, and discarding, clothes more quickly than ever. There's no need to toss your clothes once you tire of them, however. Resale shops are a good option for clothes that still have some fashion value.

If your clothes fit this category, offer them a second incarnation by:

Reselling them: Buffalo Exchange, [ebay.com](#)

Swapping clothes at a Meetup: Organize your own event or go to an existing one ([clothesswap.meetup.com](#)).

Giving them away online: If people want your clothes, they e-mail you ([freecycle.org](#)).

Giving them to charity.

But if your clothes are well past their fashionable prime or can't be worn any longer (due to staining or holes), there are some alternatives to the trash bag:

Take them to charity anyway: Goodwill and the Salvation Army won't sell defective clothes or shoes. Instead they offload them to textile recyclers, who either ship them to Third World countries for wear, or sort and resell them to textile "de-manufacturers," who can reduce them into materials that can be worked into new items such as cleaning rags, carpet padding or rubberized playgrounds.

Have a charity pick up your donations: the Salvation Army ([satruck.org/search](#)) or Vietnam Veterans of America ([clothingdonations.org/service.htm](#))

Take them back: Bring your used clothes back to the retailers that sold them to you and ask them to recycle.



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The amount of clothes the average American throws into the trash each year

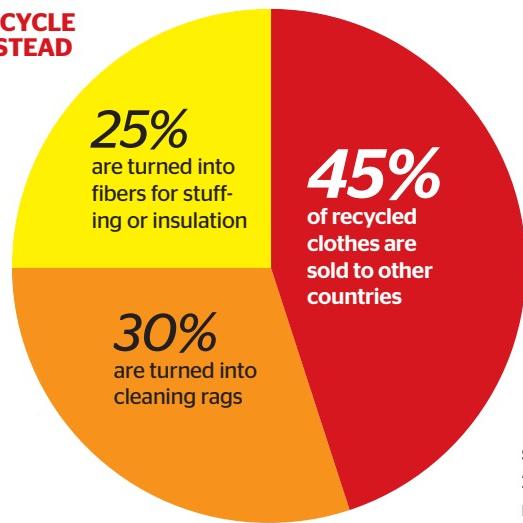
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Weight of all the clothes thrown out in America each year

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ALBUM

'All Days Are Nights: Songs for Lulu'
Rufus Wainwright

On "All Days Are Nights: Songs for Lulu," Rufus Wainwright strips away the lush, piano-pop construction of his previous albums until all that's left is his gorgeous voice, emotional piano playing and grief.

The death in January of Wainwright's mother, Kate McGarrigle, influences much of the album, either explicitly—as in "Martha," which chronicles a phone call with his sister, the singer-songwriter Martha Wainwright—or in tone, as in "Zebulon," about the drowning death of a classmate.

Though at times Wainwright's pain is almost palpable, he succeeds in turning it into something more universal. "So Sad with What I Have" is downbeat but also stunningly pretty, adding a fresh coat of pain to the yearning of Elvis Costello's "Almost Blue." With "The Dream," he adorns the album's poppiest melody with classical finery, celebrating the mixed emotions of having a loved one's suffering end when they die, while still missing them. "I am left behind," Wainwright sings, with a touch of anger, "corrupted, crushed and blind."

The playful "Give Me What I Want and Give It to Me Now" and the tender "What Would I Ever Do With a Rose?" do lighten the mood a bit on "All Days Are Nights." However, when a songwriter as skilled as Wainwright is struck by an inspiration so strong, it seems best to simply tag along for the magnificent ride. **GLENN GAMBOA, NEWSDAY**

THINGS THAT TURN US ON



Simon Cowell traveled to Douglas, Ariz., to visit the Children's Health Fund and its new mobile medical unit, paid for with Idol Gives Back donations. **FOX**

TV
'Idol Gives Back'
7 p.m. Wednesday, Fox

"American Idol" isn't getting the ratings it once did, so creator Simon Fuller has offered a big tease to get people to watch tonight's combined vote-off and charity fundraiser: Bill and Melinda Gates "have done something very special, quite incredible, this year," Fuller told The Associated Press. He then said people would have to watch for the surprise. Elton John, Alicia Keys, Carrie Underwood, the Black Eyed Peas, Annie Lennox, Jeff Beck, Joss Stone and Mary J. Blige are among the real musicians who will perform. **CURT WAGNER, REDEYE**


FASHION
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WEB SITE
Most Awesomest Thing Ever
at mostawesomestthingever.com

Finally, a site dedicated to finding the most awesomest things ever—and you get to decide. The site presents two potentially awesome things and surfers vote for the one they find more awesome. For instance, what's more awesome, the movie "Rookie of the Year" or chicken fingers? Clearly the answer is chicken fingers, but if you disagree, head over to the site and help decide the question of the century. **TRENT KOLAND, REDEYE**


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Organic? Some vineyards more worried about survival

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Now the goal may be something a little less ambitious. It's called sustainability.

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Organic means knocking down weeds between rows of vines using a dozen men for 100

SHE'LL BE BACK

Wine expert Alpana Singh is off this week. Her column will appear next Wednesday.

hours. Sustainable means they do it with one man with a chemical spray rig on an all-terrain vehicle. Organic means using manure and compost as fertilizer; it's twice as expensive as chemical nitrogen, Millard says.

"We're close to organic," he says. "But at the end of the day going organic can run your vineyard right into the ground."

Millard stresses that Newton Vineyard uses its setting to full advantage in achieving the most natural grape-growing methods possible. It's situated on Spring Mountain, in the Mayacamas range that separates Napa and Sonoma valleys.

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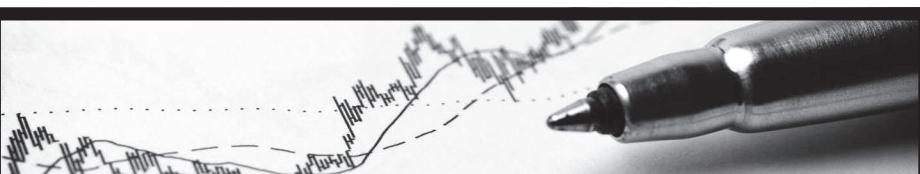
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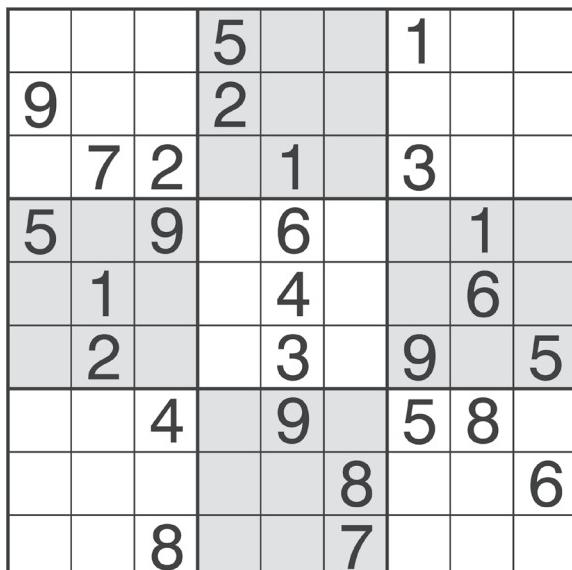
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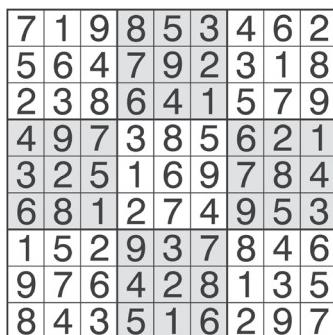
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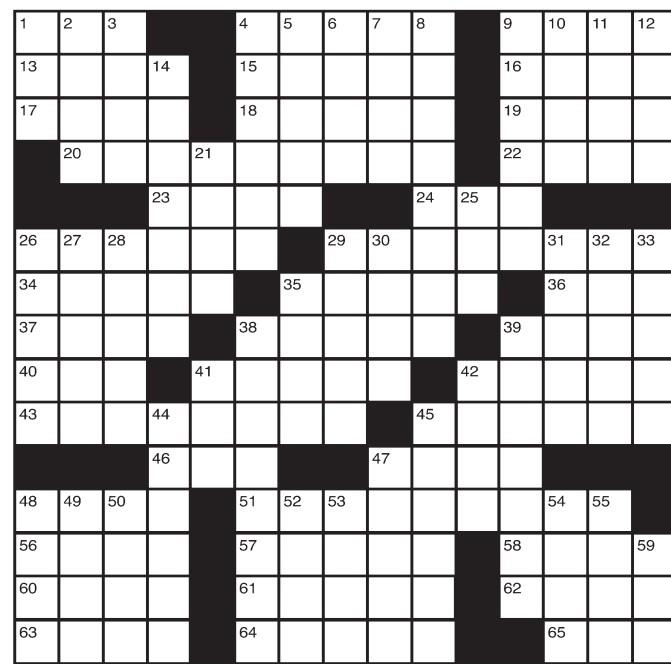
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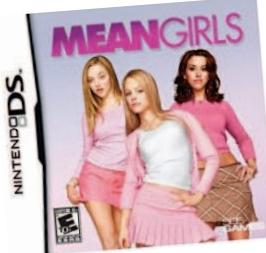
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These games would be so fetch



By Dana Moran

REDEYE

A brouhaha recently occurred when it was discovered that Lindsay Lohan's character was left off the cover

of the upcoming "Mean Girls" video game. Oddly enough, a similar brouhaha was not raised over the fact that there will be a "Mean Girls" video game, which we can only imagine will include levels for makeup application and being inconspicuously catty. Here's a few other movies that could use a pixel-licious reinvention.



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'Ferris Bueller's Day Off'

Why there isn't already a game for this movie, we're not sure. Compete as Ferris and try to get through the entire day without being caught. Or play as Cameron and try to stop the madness. In a "Choose Your Own Adventure" style, players can decide not to complete certain challenges (the parade, Cubs game, fancy lunch), but they won't know until the end how the outcome will be affected.



'Sideways'

Compete in a timed wine tour, then answer trivia questions about the vintages—but you'll lose points if you get too sloshed. As you become more skilled at identifying wines, you'll start wooing/lying to women without getting caught. Be on the lookout for that pesky wedding ring, though, or you'll be sprinting away naked with a husband hot on your tail. Game over.



'Almost Famous'

As the lead singer of Stillwater, you'll travel the country, pick up babes and declare yourself a golden god in this action-adventure-meets-“Rock Band” game. Trashing your hotel room and picking up skanky groupies will cause you to lose points and your next gig, so only go for the Penny Lane types. Unlock a bonus round to play as squeaky-teen rock journalist William.



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■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 2:00,5:00,8:00,11:00
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 1:00,3:15,5:45,8:15,10:40
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) ★ 1:30,4:30,7:40,10:45
■ Clash of the Titans (PG-13) 6:15,9:00
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1:40,4:15,7:30,10:15
■ The Last Song (PG) 2:00,4:00,9:45
■ Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 2:45,5:15,7:50,10:30
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 1:50,4:05,6:45,9:00
■ Alice in Wonderland (PG) 1:15,3:45

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2828 North Clark St., Chicago
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■ The Ghost Writer (PG-13) 1:20,4:15,7:20,10:10
■ The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (NR) 1:15,4:45,8:15
■ Greenberg (R) 1:10,4:00,7:30,10:20

CITY NORTH 14 (KERASOTES)
2600 N. Western Ave.
(800) 326-3264 #1642

■ Kenny Chesney: Summer in 3D (NR) ★ 7:30 P.M.
■ Death at a Funeral (R) ★ 1:30,2:30,4:30,5:20,7:20,8:20,10:00,10:50
■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 12:30,3:00,3:45,6:00,6:45,9:10,9:50
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 1:50,4:40,7:10,9:30
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ (Closed caption) 12:20,2:50,5:30,8:00,10:40
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1:20,4:10,7:00,9:40
■ Clash of the Titans (PG-13) 2:00,4:50,7:30,10:45
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 2:10,5:10,8:10,11:00
■ How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 2:15,5:00,10:15
■ Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 2:20,4:50,7:50,10:20
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 1:00,3:30,6:20,9:00
■ Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) 12:30,3:20,6:10,8:50
■ Alice in Wonderland (PG) 12:45,3:40,6:30,9:20

DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)
4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago
(773) 784-0893

■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 5:00,7:30,10:00
■ Greenberg (R) 5:15,7:30,9:45
■ When You're Strange (NR) ★ 6:00,8:00,10:00
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 5:00,7:10,9:15

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FORD CITY 14 (AMC)

S. Cicero at 76th., Chicago
(888) AMC-4FUN
Show times change daily
■ The Perfect Game (PG) 1:30,4:25,7:05,9:40
■ Death at a Funeral (R) ★ 12:15,1:15,2:00,2:40,3:45,4:30,5:15,6:15,7:00,7:45,8:45,9:15,10:00
■ Kick-Ass (R) 1:10,4:00,7:10,9:50
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 12:45,3:10,5:20,7:30,9:40
■ The Black Waters of Echo's Pond (R) 5:00,9:45
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 12:10,1:00,3:00,4:00,5:45,7:00,8:30,9:45
■ Clash of the Titans (PG-13) 12:50,1:50,3:20,4:20,5:50,6:50,8:20,9:20
■ The Last Song (PG) 1:20,4:10,6:40,9:15
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 12:05,2:30,4:50,7:10,9:25
■ Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) 12:00,2:00,4:15,6:45,9:00
■ Our Family Wedding (PG-13) 12:00,2:20,7:15

GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER

164 State Street
(312) 846-2800
■ Home (NR) 6:00 P.M.
■ Checkpoint Rock: Songs of Palestine (NR) 6:00 P.M.
■ End of September (NR)

LOGAN THEATRE

2646 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago
(773) 252-0628

■ Green Zone (R) 2:15,4:20,6:30,8:40
■ The Bounty Hunter (PG-13) 2:05,4:10,6:15,8:20
■ Alice in Wonderland (PG) 2:00,4:00,6:05,8:10
■ Crazy Heart (R) 2:10,4:15,6:20,8:30

MUSIC BOX

3733 N. Southport, Chicago
(773) 871-6604

■ Rann (NR) 5:05,8:15
■ A Prophet (R) 4:05 P.M.
■ The Song Remains the Same (PG) 7:30 P.M.

PIPER'S ALLEY (AMC)

1608 N. Wells, Chicago
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Show times change daily

■ The Joneses (R) 3:25,5:40,8:00
■ AMC Select After Life (R) 2:15,7:00
■ AMC Select Letters to God (PG) 4:30 P.M.
■ AMC Select The Runaways (R) 2:00 P.M.
■ AMC Select City Island (PG-13) 2:30,5:00,7:35
■ AMC Select Chloe (R) 4:45 P.M.

RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

322 E. Illinois Street, Chicago
(888) AMC-4FUN
Show times change daily
■ Kenny Chesney: Summer in 3D (NR) 7:00,7:30
■ The Perfect Game (PG) ★ 11:05,2:00,5:05,8:05,10:55
■ Death at a Funeral (R) 11:45,1:30,2:30,4:15,5:15,7:00,8:00,9:45,10:45
■ Kick-Ass (R) 11:00,12:00,1:10,2:10,3:10,4:10,5:20,6:20,7:30,8:30,9:30,10:35
■ The Joneses (R) ★ 11:10,1:10,4:35,7:20,10:05
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 12:45,3:05,5:40,8:15,10:55
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 11:20,1:45,4:05,6:40,9:15
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 11:15,1:20,2:20,4:30,5:30,7:40,8:40,10:50
■ Clash of the Titans (PG-13) 1:15,4:00,6:50,9:45
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 11:30,2:15,5:10,10:45
■ The Last Song (PG) 11:40,2:35,5:25,8:20
■ How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 11:25,2:05,4:00,7:25,10:00
■ Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 1:15,3:50,6:15,8:45
■ AMC Select Greenberg (R) 1:00,3:45,6:15,8:50
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 1:00,3:45,6:15,8:50
■ The Bounty Hunter (PG-13) 4:25 P.M.
■ Green Zone (R) 1:35,7:10,9:50
■ Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) 11:35,2:25,10:50
■ Shutter Island (R) 1:25,4:45,7:55

CROWN VILLAGE 18 (KERASOTES)

700 Carpenter Rd., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #2309

■ Kenny Chesney: Summer in 3D (NR) 7:30 P.M.
■ Death at a Funeral (R) ★ 12:20,2:40,5:20,8:00,10:20
■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 12:30,1:15,2:15,3:15,4:15,5:15,6:15,7:15,8:15,9:15,10:15
■ The Perfect Game (PG) 12:40,3:45,6:40,9:40
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 1:00,1:50,2:30,3:20,4:20,5:10,6:05,6:50,7:40,8:20,9:30,10:00,10:30
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1:30,4:15,7:00,9:45
■ Clash of the Titans (PG-13) 2:10,5:00,7:50,10:25
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 1:10,4:00,7:10,9:55
■ The Last Song (PG) 12:50,3:40,6:30,9:10
■ How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 12:50,3:20,6:10,8:50
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 2:20,5:00,7:30,10:15
■ Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) 1:10,3:45,6:30,9:10
■ Our Family Wedding (PG-13) 12:40,3:30,6:20,9:00

CICERO SHOWPLACE 14 (KERASOTES)

4779 W. Cermak, Cicero
(800) 326-3264 #1644

■ Death at a Funeral (R) ★ 1:40,4:10,6:45,9:20
■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 12:20,3:20,6:20,10:90
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 4:40,7:40,10:30
■ The Last Song (PG) 12:50,3:40,6:30,9:10
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 1:10,3:45,6:30,8:50
■ Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) 1:20,3:50,6:10,8:50
■ Alice in Wonderland (PG) 1:45 P.M.

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■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 12:30,1:00,1:40,3:20,4:40,4:45,7:20,9:45
■ The Joneses (R) ★ 12:50,3:50,6:45,9:40
■ Death at a Funeral (R) ★ 21 & Older - 8:00,10:30
■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 21 & Older - 7:00,9:50
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 1:15,2:00,3:40,4:45,7:20,9:45
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 21 & Older - 6:05,8:30,11:00
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 2:30,5:10,8:10,10:50
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 12:40,1:20,3:45,6:30,7:10,9:30,10:15
■ How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 1:10,4:00,6:40,9:20
■ Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 2:10,5:00,7:50,10:20
■ Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) 1:30,4:30,7:15,10:10
■ Avatar 3D (PG-13) 2:50,9:55

VIP Premium 21+

■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 4:00,4:00,7:00,9:50
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 1:15,3:40,6:05,8:30,11:00

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1022 Lake Street, Oak Park
(630) 444-FILM #560

■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 2:00,4:35,7:10,9:45
■ Greenberg (R) 12:20,2:45,5:10,7:35,10:00
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 1:05,3:10,5:15,7:20,9:25
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 12:00,2:25,4:50,7:15,9:40
■ The Last Song (PG) 12:10,2:35,5:00,7:25,9:50
■ How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 12:00,2:25,4:30,6:45,9:00
■ Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 12:35,2:50,5:05,7:20,9:35

EVANSTON

CENTURY 12/CINEARTS 6 (CENTURY)

1715 Maple Ave., Evanston
(847) 492-0123
■ Death at a Funeral (R) ★ 12:00,1:15,2:20,3:35,4:50,6:05,7:15,8:30,9:40
■ Kick-Ass (R) ★ 11:20,11:55,1:25,2:05,4:45,5:45,5:55,7:05,7:45,8:25,9:55,10:40
■ Kenny Chesney: Summer in 3D (NR) ★ 7:30 P.M.
■ The Joneses (R) ★ 12:15,2:38,5:00,7:25,9:45
■ Alice in Wonderland (PG) 11:40 A.M.
■ City Island (PG-13) 3:40 P.M.
■ Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 11:45,2:30,5:10,7:55,10:30
■ Clash of the Titans (PG) 1:00,1:50,4:30,7:10,9:50
■ Date Night (PG-13) ★ 11:25,11:50,12:30,1:35,2:25,3:05,3:55,4:50,5:25,6:15,7:05,7:50,8:35,9:25,10:05
■ Greenberg (R) 2:15,5:05,7:35,10:35
■ Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 12:20,2:55,5:20,8:05,10:35
■ How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 12:00,2:25,4:30,5:15,7:30,9:45
■ How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 11:35,2:50,4:10,7:45,9:45
■ The Ghost Writer (PG-13) 6:55,10:10
■ The Last Song (PG) 11:30,2:10,4:45,7:20,10:00
■ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13) 1:30,4:40,7:30,10:25

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Alicia Keys, Leona Lewis, Jennifer Hudson and Liza Minnelli are set to lend their pipes to the "Sex and the City 2" soundtrack. **Eonline.com** reports that Keys will cover Blondie's "Rapture" as a mash-up with the show's theme song. Minnelli, who has a cameo in the film, will take on Beyoncé's "Single Ladies." Meanwhile, "SATC 2" tickets already are on sale, and a Fandango spokesman told The Hollywood Reporter they are outselling tickets for films such as "Kick-Ass."



2011

HOT DATE

That's when HBO's "Curb Your Enthusiasm" will return for its eighth season, **ew.com** reports. "After much soul searching—and by the way, it was nowhere to be found—I have decided to do another season of 'Curb,'" creator Larry David (left) said in a statement. **GETTYIMAGES PHOTO**



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Raekwon's kind of town

Downtown Chicago is like "old Manhattan with a mean glow," says Wu Tang's Raekwon the Chef (above), who talked to RedEye Tuesday before his appearance at the Wild Hare. The MC also expressed admiration for our nasty winter weather. "I was here one time on Michigan Avenue and it was snowing," Rae said. "I thought, 'If I had a full-length fur and some boots, I'd walk the whole Ave.'" **GETTYIMAGES PHOTO**

» Get a bigger serving of the Chef at redeyechicago.com/kylesfiles.

Highly symbolic scarf

UsWeekly has taken the ridiculous step of getting a body language expert to weigh in on Sandra Bullock. Bullock was photographed hiking in northern California last week in a black jacket and scarf. Body interpreter Patti Wood says, "The choice of her scarf, which is tied over her heart, means that she is hiding her heart window and throat window, which is the communication window." Right. She wouldn't wear a scarf simply because it was cold out.



Gosselin goes home

Wooden Dance Watch 2010 is over. Kate Gosselin (left), one of the most awkward dancers ever to appear on "Dancing With the Stars," was sent packing on Tuesday night's results show. The waterworks were going strong as the mom of many said she was "very grateful" to have lasted so long. **ABC PHOTO**

Cirque is starting something

Moonwalking, clowns and acrobatics. Awesome. Cirque du Soleil executives and Michael Jackson's estate have agreed to two shows based on his music and dance. The first show, opening in 2011, will focus on Jackson's choreography and tour the U.S. The second show will open in 2012 in Las Vegas and will feature 3-D technology, **TMZ** reports.

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